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**AMENDMENT****IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A formulation comprising an active ingredient, suitable as a pharmaceutical or cosmetic, and an auxiliary amount of hydrophobic highly disperse silicon dioxide, having a tamped density of  $[[70]]$  90 to 400 g/l, determined in accordance with DIN 55943, wherein the silicon dioxide contains a maximum of 3.0 wt.% of water-wettable contents.
2. (Previously Presented) The formulation according to claim 1, wherein the hydrophobic highly disperse silicon dioxide has a BET surface area between 50 and 400 m<sup>2</sup>/g.
3. (Previously Presented) The formulation according to claim 1, wherein the amount of hydrophobic highly disperse silicon dioxide is from 0.01 to 30 wt.%.
4. (Canceled)
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